



**The Vision of
Temecula UMC
Community**

Temecula UMC is a caring community dedicated to God's work. We welcome all by creating an atmosphere rooted in the fruits of the spirit. We are a positive, visible presence in our community and a place of comfort and peace. We provide spiritual fulfillment through worship, education, fellowship, missions and actions. We are people of God that live out our faith every day following Christ.

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Dear Congregation of Temecula UMC:

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. My thoughts and prayers are with you. It is with great joy that I inform you that after much prayer and consultation, it is Bishop Minerva G. Carcaño's intent to appoint the Rev. Rick Malec to serve as your pastor, effective July 1, 2014.

Pastor Rick has served several churches in the Conference since he was ordained. His strong gifts of preaching and his excellent leadership skills have made great impact in his former churches and communities. Pastor Rick values youth and family ministries and has a keen interest in continually examining how to support families and looks for new ways to do it. He will certainly affirm and add to your current ministries and outreach services while helping you realize even greater dreams.

The SPRC and Pastor Randy will work with me and Pastor Rick to devise the most thorough transition plan possible so that the Church and its ministries will continue to thrive during this time of transition.

On behalf of our Bishop, I thank you for the great insights and prayers you have offered throughout this process and I anticipate even greater things from your congregation as we journey onward.

Warmly yours in the ministry of Christ,

Rev. John Farley

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sunday School Classes (EVERY SUNDAY)
 Toddler Room/Childcare (Ages 1–4 yrs.)
 Younger Elementary Class (K-3rd)
 Older Elementary Class (4th-5th)

10:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Childcare: Toddlers—younger elementary,
 Toys and books available for children.

Sunday Evening UMYF

March 9th at 6 p.m.
 Meeting with Pastor Randy and
 Parents of UMYF

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Christina Rossetti's poem laments the hardness of the human heart, that it is possible to contemplate the Crucifixion and not weep in terrible grief as did the women at the cross, the disciples, and nature itself. The poem ends with an entreaty to Jesus to break that hardness of heart; she compares a "stone" heart to the stone in the wilderness that Moses, obeying God's command, strikes with a staff, bringing forth water from the stone so that the thirsty Israelites could drink (Exodus 17:6). Note that in the first line she contrasts a stone and a sheep but by the end recognizes that even a stone-hearted person is a sheep to be cared for by the Shepherd. For Rossetti, no heart is so stony, no sheep is so lost, that it is beyond redemption.

Good Friday

CHRISTINA ROSSETTI

Am I a stone, and not a sheep,
 That I can stand, O Christ, beneath Thy cross,
 To number drop by drop Thy blood's slow loss,
 And yet not weep?
 Not so those women loved
 Who with exceeding grief lamented Thee;¹
 Not so fallen Peter weeping bitterly;²
 Not so the thief was moved;³
 Not so the Sun and Moon
 Which hid their faces in a starless sky,³
 A horror of great darkness at broad noon –
 I, only I.
 Yet give not o'er,
 But seek Thy sheep, true Shepherd of the flock;
 Greater than Moses, turn and look once more
 And smite a rock.

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¹ A reference to the women followers who gathered at the Cross (Matthew 27:55-56; Mark 15:40-41; Luke 23:49; and John 19:25-27).

² A reference to the thief on the cross who asks Jesus to remember him when he comes into his kingdom (Luke 23:42).

³ A reference to the darkness that comes over the land for the three hours before Jesus's death (Matthew 27:45; Mark 15:33; Luke 23:44-45).

Revisiting the Garden – REMEMBERING TODD HAILSTONE

A Bird's eye view of the garden would reveal traces of color peeking through the foliage of the olive branches. But if you walk through the garden, that's where you see the color in all its glory. This garden consumed Todd's life for four years, from dawn to dusk it seemed, before his body gave out. This garden was his dream and through stubbornness and single-mindedness, he pulled it off. He knew his time was limited and made the most of it. He was, after all, 85, when he began his quest, this husband of mine.

I close my eyes now and picture us walking through the arched entrance and along the garden paths and I remember.....Ah, there's the area where the Sunday School children placed painted rocks around the base of the trees, and over there are the sun drenched flowers shining in all their glory, and there rest the dozen scattered benches, donated in memory of loved ones. Here's the sacred spot where wedding vows have been exchanged. Over there, near the entrance, is the beautiful white cross, built and donated in memory of a beloved wife. And look, there among the cacti, sits a statue of St. Francis, donated by a father in memory of a beloved son. And oh, the chimes! When they are coaxed by the breezes, their music touches the soul. How wonderful to have time to ruminate about this special place. We must not forget the volunteers, those earthly angels, who help keep his dream alive, weeding and planting and watering, or the Bible-study group who met here.

I remember our 17th anniversary when I surprised him with a garden plaque to be placed among the flowers. It reads:

Welcome to our Meditation Garden
 First envisioned by Todd Hailstone
 Supported by friends and members of this church who caught his vision
 And lovingly cared for by angels.
 Peace to all who enter.

But my most important memory in this garden is granting his final wish. I see the seven special people standing in a large circle, lifting a glass in his honor, as Randy prays and I read a testimony to his memory, and had a memorial service for Todd.

His spirit and I have a standing date here on Sundays, when we stroll the paths together. This is a magic place, after all.

Hazel Hailstone
 March 2014



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday Adult Bible Study with Joe Hughes at 9 a.m. in Room 6. All are welcome. "Three Simple Rules for Living" is the current study. Contact Joe Hughes.

Sunday Adult Tagalog Bible Study meets in the Youth Room at 9 a.m. Contact Dan Gutierrez. Class content is posted on the TUMC website at www.temeculaumc.com—click on calendar and the day for your class.

Sunday School meets during the 9 a.m. service. At 10:30 a.m. childcare is offered for toddlers through younger elementary. Contact Diana Walker.

Monday Welcoming and Outreach Committee meets next on Monday, March 17th at 10 a.m. in Room 6. Contact Sue Bradshaw.

Youth Group

Pastor Randy will meet with youth and parents on **Sunday, March 9th at 6 p.m. in the Youth Room.**

Monday Science and Religion DVD Study with Pastor Randy meets from 6:30—7:30 p.m. in the Youth Room. Check bulletin for future class location. Class material is available on the TUMC website. Go to www.temeculaumc.com—click on calendar and the day for your next class. Click on download to print your own copy of class material.

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study at 9:30 a.m. in Room 1. Our Lent Study is "Listen: Praying in a Noisy World" by Rueben Job. All ladies are welcome to join us. Contact Karen Benvenuto.

Tuesday Science and Religion DVD Study with Pastor Randy meets in the Youth Room from 4—5:00 p.m. Check bulletin for future class location. Class material is available on the TUMC website. Go to www.temeculaumc.com—click on calendar and the day for your next class. Click on download to print your own copy of class material.

Tuesday Book Discussion Group at 7 p.m. April 1st, we will meet at the home of Barbara Gaborko to discuss "The Perfume Collector" by Kathleen Tessaros.

Wednesday Out to Lunch Bunch meets at noon the first Wednesday of each month at a different restaurant for friendship and sharing. Wednesday, March 5th, we will meet at Asian Seafood Buffet in Murrieta. Contact Marilyn Barger.

Wednesday Science and Religion DVD Study with Pastor Randy meets from 6:30—7:30 p.m. in the Youth Room. Check bulletin for future class location. Class material is available on the TUMC website. Go to www.temeculaumc.com—click on calendar and the day for your next class. Click on download to print your own copy of class material.

Wednesday Choir Rehearsal at 7:15 p.m. in Celebration Hall. New voices are always welcome. Please contact Rob Hodo Sunday mornings or email rhodo70@gmail.com

From Missions

Lent begins on March 5th. Rather than giving up something, how about each TUMC family "taking on" bringing at least one nonperishable food item for the Food Pantry. There is a collection basket in the back of the sanctuary and we now have a grocery cart which will be on the patio on Sunday mornings. Thanks and blessings to all of you.

SPRING BREAK

"Into the Wild"

Backpacking Camp for High School & Young Adults

March 31st –April 4th

Camp Colby to Camp Sturtevant

This program is designed for the camper who is ready for a program that goes beyond a central camp experience. It includes a two-day backpack trip where campers will be challenged both spiritually and physically. We will learn outdoor living skills and basic survival techniques and experience God's character through His creation. Campers are routinely involved in the planning and arranging of meals, trip execution and morning and evening worship programs. "Into the Wild" is a week-long program including programming and prep at Camp Colby, followed by a two day hike to Camp Sturtevant where campers will celebrate their experience and continue their program until being picked up at Chantry Flats on the final day.

Cost \$210.00

*Contact Danny Armanino at danny@colbyranch.net or 626-792-2296 for more information. Register today at www.calpaccamps.org

Don't worry if you are unable to do it this spring, the camp will also be offered as part of our Summer Specialty Camps (for High School only), July 27–Aug 2, cost for the summer program is \$290, as it will be a six day adventure trip.

*Danny has B.A in Anthropology and a M.A. in Sociology. He is currently in the final stages of drafting his dissertation in sociology through UC /Santa Barbara.



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INDEPENDENT STYLIST

Triple TTTs

Submitted by Bill Steele

We are still looking at the following dates for camping activities. Check your calendars and when we send the dates out let us know if you'd like to go.

Also please let us know if you would like to be part of the Triple TTTs. Email your interest in part of the camping group to: wjsteele@verizon.net

We are planning to have two church-wide campouts between now and the first of October, 2014. We will also be using the website to identify other times when TTT members are camping and where. Those members can make their own arrangements and camp out together.

March—28th -30th

A church-wide campout with the youth at Agua Caliente County Park near the mud caves. They also have hot spring-fed swimming pools. **Please let Bill Steele know if you would like to participate** so he can give the information to Mark McCullough. We are having breakfast and dinner on Saturday as a group. Please check with the San Diego County Parks about reservations and **reserve** your spot before you let Bill know you are participating. This is spring break week for the Temecula and Murrieta school districts.



June – July, 2014

Summer campout along the ocean or in the mountains of San Diego County, or elsewhere. One idea we have talked about is a trip to Big Bear for a weekend campout this summer. We need to do a lot of planning to make that happen!

We will be populating the new church website with information about the group, pictures of past campouts, and also inviting new people to the church to join us.

Edith Frank remembers an inspiring true story from a unique perspective. A visit with Anne Frank's mother.

Presented by Shoshanah Hadassah at Temecula United Methodist Church.

Saturday, March 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center.

Admission: Adults \$10 and Children \$5. A discussion will follow along with coffee and dessert. A flyer is in the breezeway.

UM WOMEN CORNER

March 13th, Thursday - Executive Board Meeting - 1:00 p.m. in Room 6

March 16th, Sunday - St. Patrick's Day Bake Sale/Bean Project after both services in the Hillside Room. We need baked goods and volunteers for this event.

March 20th, Thursday - UMW General Meeting- 10:00 a.m. in the Hillside Room . "Call To Prayer and Self Denial." The theme for this year is "Sound Foundations: Sound Missions."

Objective: To reflect on the rich heritage of our mission institutions through which our gifts enable the institutions to be physically sound and safe spaces for present and future needs.

District Event: March 22nd, Saturday - Riverside District spring meeting - Ontario Trinity UMC; for info and registration fee, contact Dorothy Smith. Deadline for registration is March 17th.

MONKS Men of Nurturing Knightly Spirit

Monthly Planning Meeting

Tuesday, March 4th at 6:30 p.m. In Room 6.

MONKS Monthly Breakfast Meeting

Guest Speaker will be Melissa Donaldson, S.A.F.E. Executive Director.

Saturday, March 8th at 8 a.m. in the Hillside Room.

A big thank you to Barry Adams, Bert Bjorklund, Mac MacIntosh, Larry Murphy, Pete Benway and MONKS, UM Women, and ladies of the church for the Spaghetti Dinner. The full house was fully content.

CRAFT FAIRE Final Disbursements 2013

In November we wrote check requests for the following:

TUMC Food Pantry.....	\$100
Pujol Community Food Pantry.....	\$100
UMCOR.....	\$100
Donnie Weaver Memorial Fund.....	\$100

As of December 31st the balance of \$3,257.52 checks requested for:

Vacation Bible School scholarship fund.....	\$180
All From the Heart (Veterans)	\$200
PAWS (service dogs for wounded Veterans).....	\$200
Project TOUCH.....	\$250
Temecula Neighborhood Health Clinic.....	\$200
Energy assist for low income Temecula Valley.....	\$250
SAFE - local shelter for women & children.....	\$200
Against Human Trafficking Support.....	\$200
Reimbursement for TUMC copier use.....	\$150
Pastor's Discretionary Fund.....	\$150
TUMC apportionments.....	\$200
TUMC Budget—from the sale of used books, CDs & misc.	\$500
Seed money for 2014.....	\$500
Emergency needs.....	\$177
SSP scholarships, if needed.....	\$400

The date of the 2014 Craft Faire is set for October 25th.

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- 3/20 10:00 a.m. UM Women Meeting and Luncheon
- 3/23 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
- 3/24 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts
6:30 p.m. Church Council
- 3/25 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study
- 3/26 10:00 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 3/27 10:30 a.m. UM Women Tea Planning Committee
- 3/28 12:00 p.m. TTTs Camping at Borrego
- 3/29 All day event—TTTs Camping at Borrego
- 3/30 12:00 p.m. TTTs leave Borrego
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
- 3/31 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts



Daylight Saving Time begins March 9th.

Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour Saturday night so you will be on time for church!

CHURCH-WIDE GARAGE SALE

Be sure to begin saving clean items for the church-wide garage sale to be held on June 14, 2014! We will be accepting furniture, knick/knacks, old TVs, electronics, and other household items including, lamps, china, etc.

As in past years, we will not be accepting clothes.

The sale is being co-chaired by Bill Steele and Toby Hammett!

- 3/1 5 p.m. MONKS Spaghetti Dinner
- 3/2 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
12:00 p.m. Meeting w/Toby Hammett
- 3/3 6:30 p.m. Science & Religion DVD Study
- 3/4 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Science & Religion DVD Study
6:30 p.m. MONKS Planning Meeting
- 3/5 10:00 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor
12:00 p.m. Out to Lunch Bunch
6:30 p.m. Science & Religion DVD Study
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 3/8 8:00 a.m. MONKS Monthly Breakfast
7:00 p.m. Hadassah Event at TUMC
- 3/9 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Youth Group & Parents w/Pastor—Youth Room
- 3/10 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts
6:30 p.m. Science & Religion DVD Study
- 3/11 9:30 a.m. Tues. Ladies Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Science & Religion DVD Study
- 3/12 10 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor
6:30 p.m. Science & Religion DVD Study
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 3/13 1:00 p.m. UM Women Executive Board
- 3/15 9:00 a.m. Temecula Valley Master Chorale
- 3/16 UM Women St. Patrick's Bake Sale
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
- 3/17 10:00 a.m. Welcoming & Outreach
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts
6:30 p.m. Science & Religion DVD Study
- 3/18 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Science & Religion DVD Study
6:30 p.m. Finance Committee
- 3/19 10:00 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor
7:15 p.m. Staff Parish Relations Committee
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal

	March 2	March 9	March 16	March 23	March 30
USHERS	9:00 a.m.	6:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.
	Erik Toberman	MONKS	L. Messersmith	Oscar Loud	Philippians
	Larry Messersmith		Erik Toberman	Thelma Loud	
	Ken Johnson		Sam Hill	Sam Hill	
	Earl Fields		Pat Hill	Pat Hill	
	10:30 a.m.	8:00 p.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
	Janet Galbraith	MONKS	Lovely Villanueva	Dan Little	Philippians
Dick Mohammed		Ken Johnson	Cliff Elder		
Dan Gutierrez		Janet Galbraith	Raul Denisac		
Marilyn Barger		Dan Little	Gloria Galvez		

LITURGISTS	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.
	Deb Potts	MONKS	Hazel Hailstone	Barbara Gaborko	Philippians
	10:30 a.m.	10:30 .M.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
	Diane Martinez	MONKS	Diane Martinez	Joan Jessup	Philippians

GREETERS	9:00 a.m.				
	Sam & Pat Hill	MONKS	Barbara Gaborko	Jan Clark-George	Philippians
	10:30 a.m.				
	A. Louise Cressy	MONKS	Pat O'Brien	Lovely Villanueva	Philippians

SOUND TECH	9:00 a.m.				
	McCullough Family	Severns Family	tba	Edmonds Family	Philippians
	10:30 a.m.				
	Lloyd Family	Boyle Family	tba	Ken Boyle	Philippians

VISITOR TABLE	9:00 a.m.				
	Sue Bradshaw	Anita Accordino	Sue Bradshaw	Anita Accordino	Sue Bradshaw
	10:30 a.m.				
	Dorothy Smith	Gloria Galvez	Hazel Hailstone	Jean Williams	tba

If you cannot serve as assigned, please call Marilyn Barger for ushers and Hazel Hailstone for liturgists & greeters.



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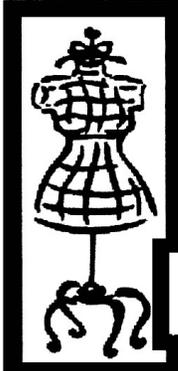
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